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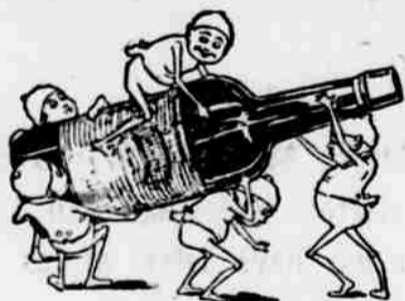
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Are the most provoking thing on earth. When a man buys a hat, he pays a fair price for it, and naturally expects it to last a season. What an awful lot of electricity there must be in his words and thoughts when it begins to pine away and fade into a dusty brown!

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Drink "ROCK ISLAND" BOHEMIAN, because they know it is the best, and what they say "goes"—See? If you want an absolutely pure beer, either for a tonic, or to make home cheerful, call up telephone 1089 and you will be sure of getting the best.

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1605 Second Avenue



The Works of Cupid

Are seen on every side, but his most artistic work is done with the wall papers from the Adams Wall Paper Co. At whatever price others may sell they are always a little cheaper.

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310, 312 and 314 Twentieth street

EVERY WOMAN

Sometimes needs a reliable, monthly, regulating medicine. Only women and the purest drugs should be used. If you want the best, get

Dr. Peal's Pennyroyal Pills

They are prompt, safe and certain to result. The genuine (Dr. Peal's) never change color. Sent anywhere, \$1.00.

For Sale by A. J. Reiss, druggist, Rock Island, Ill.

SPARE THE SHADES.

Well Founded Suggestions From Many Sources.

DEPLORE DESTRUCTIVE HABITS.

Trees That Are Being Cut Down Along Some of the Best Drives in the City—A Shameful Waste of Nature's Kindly Gifts and Beauty.

THE appeal so full of sentiment and pathos of which the poet sang when his heart was touched by the destruction of the sturdy tree whose far reaching boughs had afforded protection in by-gone days, might well be applied in Rock Island at the present time. It may not be that the prospect of severing fond associations would prompt such a suggestion, but an outraged sense of realization of the beauty and comfort that the city is being deprived of day by day would utter the remonstrance. The shade trees of Rock Island, particularly those along the more attractive drives and thoroughfares, are being day by day ruthlessly and unnecessarily destroyed. Many and frequent have been the suggestions that have come to THE ARGUS on this score. The greatest source of complaint has perhaps been applied to Seventh avenue, which promises in time to provide one of the most delightful pleasure drives in the city. There is nothing that contributes more abundantly to the pleasure of such a thoroughfare than well kept trees. Nor is the phrase "well kept" intended to suggest unnecessary trimming. The tree, as nature designed it, homely as it may be in its most unadorned state, is much more to be desired than the product of over cultivation more times than otherwise sacrificed entirely to the gratification of aesthetic taste.

Spare the Trees.

"There should be an effort to promote and encourage shade trees in the residence portions of the city at least," said a citizen in discussing the matter in THE ARGUS office the other day. "Some of the cities of this country, most famed for their beauty, owe their reputations and the source of their reputations to their beautiful tree skirted drive-ways. It has now become a custom of cities, both large and small, to encourage the growth of shade trees, and we need look no further for an argument than to the arbor day custom of recent years established by the late secretary of agriculture, J. Sterling Morton, and year by year honored in our own as in other states."

The sentiment in Rock Island, as far as it has come to THE ARGUS, is favorable to the sparing of the generous shade tree, and it is a popular conviction that by a little care we can have as inviting drives as any city in this land—despite the fact that the Woodmen are coming to abide among us.

The things that people see are inside of them and not outside. No two people see the same thing exactly alike. One woman may look out at a beautiful landscape and see all the beauty and restfulness and grandness that there is in it. Another one will look out at the same scene and see nothing. The man who is perfectly well and vigorous enjoys life to the full. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery makes people well. There isn't anything miraculous about it—it is the most natural thing in the world. It simply puts the digestive organs, the stomach, the liver, the bowels, in perfect order and thereby makes the blood pure and rich. All diseases live and thrive on impure blood. Keep a stream of pure, rich, red blood flowing into a diseased spot, and the disease will not stay. A man lives on rich, pure blood, and disease dies on it.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery makes pure, rich blood. Send 21 cents in 1-cent stamps to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., and receive Dr. Pierce's 1,008 page "Common Sense Medical Adviser," profusely illustrated.

Notice to the Public.

Anyone having war relics of any description, and who would desire to donate or loan them to Memorial Hall, will kindly leave them with the janitor of the court house, with the name and description or history of the relic, so that they can be properly labeled and be placed in cabinets.

B. B. Knox,
Chairman Committee on Relics.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

"Mystic Cure" for rheumatism and neuralgia radically cures in one to three days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause, and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. 75 cents. Sold by Otto Grotjan, 1501 Second avenue, druggist, Rock Island; Gust Schlegel & Son, West Second street, Davenport.

Tax Collector's Notice.

The taxes for 1896 are now due and payable at the law office of O. E. Cramer, 1712 Second avenue. Bring last year's tax receipts and avoid delay in searching for descriptions.

HENRY KROGER,
Township Collector.

Cascarets stimulate liver, kidneys and bowels. Never sicken, weaken or gripe; 10 cents.

FARMER BURNS IN TOWN.

Witness the Eastern Engagement and in New London For a Match.

Farmer Martin Burns, the champion catch-as-catch-can wrestler of the world, was in town yesterday, having just arrived from the east, where he filled a number of engagements giving exhibitions. He was on his way to Big Rock, Iowa, his home.

The farmer met Tom Jenkins, the "rolling mill boy," at Cleveland, O. They wrestled for an hour, neither gaining a fall. Burns says Jenkins is a corner, and that there was not enough pecuniary inducement for him to run any chances, so that he did not mix it up with his opponent. Mark Lamb, Jenkins' manager, is coming to Chicago soon and try to get on a match with McLeod, who by the way, is still in the Prairie state metropolis, and strange as it may seem to people here, he has not blown his bazaar for a few moons. Jenkins is also anxious for a go with the farmer, but he says he wants to first meet the Californian, whom he considers the easiest game.

Burns will remain in this vicinity for several days. He is still prepared to defend the title which he won at Chicago from Evan Lewis. McLeod still insists that he is after Burns and wants a go with him, giving this as a reason for not meeting Jenkins' manager, however, is hard after McLeod and the public may shortly hear Mr. McLeod explain why he won't meet Jenkins.

McMillan is training at Beloit for a match with Rooney, the gripman, in Chicago.

Evan Lewis, "the stranger," is preparing for a trip to Europe, which he intends making the coming year.

BRIEF MENTION.

Buy a home—Reidy Bros.
A Kipp's made to order suits \$16 and up.

Miss Alice Bauer, of Chicago, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Louis Mossefelder.

Rollin Stargoon is home from his studies at the Northwestern university for a visit.

Chicken, roast beef, cabbage and bacon, baked beans, etc., will be on the bill of fare the 31st at the old court house.

R. Stockhouse is disposing of all household goods at his residence, 1819 Fifth avenue. Persons desiring such please call.

Just decide whether you'll pay \$25 or \$18 for your spring suit that's all, merely a question of price. A. Kipp, the tailor.

Hayes Muhs and John Bryson, of Davenport, will have a go for \$200 a side at Claus Groth hall, Davenport, next Tuesday night.

R. Stockhouse and son, Charles, are to take quarters at the Harper again. The furniture of their Fifth avenue home is being disposed of.

Dr. Henry D. Steele, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist. Glasses properly fitted. Rosenstein block, Fifth avenue and Fifteenth street, Moline.

Miss Anna Crowe was a Muscatine visitor yesterday, leaving last evening for Rock Island, where she will be the guest of Mrs. C. W. Horton.—Muscatine News-Tribune.

They say up in the Fifth ward that Charley Oswald not only recognizes his friends when they speak to him in German now, but that he even voluntarily engages in conversation with them in that tongue.

The public is anxiously waiting for Mr. Carse's record as mayor, which the Union intimated it was preparing. Is it to be inferred that anything derogatory to Mr. Carse was discovered, and hence the suppression?

W. H. Bragdon is running like a race horse up in the Sixth ward. That heretofore bulwark of republicanism is shaken from end to end this time, and the terror which the nomination of Bragdon struck to the Gallies is now shown to be well founded.

Tri-city section, National Council of Jewish Women, holds its regular monthly meeting at the Standard Club tomorrow afternoon at 2:30. An address will be made by Dr. Jennie McCowen, of Davenport, her subject to be "Overcoming Evil Inclination."

Ald. Tom Pender will be returned to the council from the Fifth ward this spring. He has been a painstaking, faithful alderman, always on duty guarding the interests of his ward and every citizen in it; in fact he is of the kind of men who are sought for such places.

Dr. J. A. Enander, editor of the Hemlandt, Chicago, delivered a lecture at Augustana college chapel last evening to a large audience. A reception in the gymnasium followed. Dr. Enander lectured in the history room this morning.

The order of Modern Woodmen of America has been made defendant at Dubuque, to a suit for \$10,000. The plaintiff is the man who sustained an injury to his elbow last fall while being initiated into the order, as was published at the time. He has a stiff arm as a result and wants to realize in advance of his policy.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

Just try a 10 cent box of Cascarets, the finest liver and bowel regulator ever made.

STRANGER'S BODY.

That Found in the Water Near Montpelier.

ORDERED BURIED BY THE CORONER.

A Note Which Will Probably Lead to the Identification of the Unfortunate Whom It Is Thought Was From Plattville, Wis.

A grave was dug on the bank of the Mississippi river near Montpelier yesterday afternoon, and in it were laid at rest the remains of a middle-aged man, which were found anchored in some brush in the water. The body was discovered by Bert Showers and O. C. Phillips, of Buffalo Prairie. It was at first thought here that the body was that of Edward Bigalki, who so mysteriously disappeared from his home at Carbon Cliff last month. But Coroner Eckhart on his arrival saw that the description did not tally.

The drowned man wore a blue striped shirt, heavy grey underwear, dark trousers and heavy shoes. He had dark hair and a light mustache; was about 35 years of age, and 5 feet 10 inches in height. No marks of violence were discovered, and a verdict that death was caused by drowning was returned by the jury, which was composed of W. Corbin, B. E. H. Umphrees, J. McCulley, F. E. H. and Thomas Ager, Jr. The inquest was held on the shore adjacent to where the body was picked up, as there was no house for several miles. There was nothing on the body which would enlighten the coroner as to the man's identity, save a promissory note, which may be instrumental in solving the mystery. It is dated at Plattville, Wis., Sept. 15, 1896, and is in favor of A. L. Ut, to whom H. Korsemeier agrees to pay \$25.75 at the expiration of a year.

Was It an Accident?

The fact of the body not being attired in a coat and vest has led Coroner Eckhart to think that the man fell into the river while at work. The corpse apparently had not been in the water long. Coroner Eckhart will communicate with the authorities of Plattville and endeavor to establish the identity of the drowned man.

Advertised List No. 13.

List of letters unclaimed for at the postoffice at Rock Island March 25, 1897.
Bracklin, N. B. Jenkins, Ed.
Bullock, D. J. Jones, George
Candee, George H. Lifer, Frank
Clark, Jennie McKaig, D.
Cooper, Fred Naege, William
Donnel, Willie Parson, F. H.
English, W. C. Peterson, Edwin D.
Gibson, G. E. Reist, R. W. (2)
Griffith, S. N. Rogers, J. S.
Henderson, Mary E. Simond Bros.
Hubert, Pleasant Wagner, John
J. W. Potter, Postmaster.

GRAND SHOE SALE

Commencing Saturday, March 27.
Lasts until Saturday, April 3.

A SHOE SALE FOR THE PEOPLE.

We have contracted with one of Cincinnati's largest Shoe Factories, making Ladies' Fine Shoes, to use a large amount of their product the coming year, and in return get an extra good discount. We shall give the consumer the benefit.

WE OFFER

Our \$3 lines, (Every Pair Warranted) at - - - - \$2.48

Our \$2.50 lines, (Every Pair Warranted) at - - - - 2.13

Special—A Ladies' Fine Dongola Lace, patent tip, coin toe, warranted, at - - - 1.88

Special—A Ladies' Soft Flexible Dongola, patent tip, coin toe, all solid, at - - - 1.48

A line of broken sizes in Needle Toe, lace or button, patent tip, to close - - - \$1.25

A line of Ladies' Chocolate Lace, at - - - - 1.25

Grand Special—Not more than 2 pair to a customer, a Ladies' Dongola Shoe, all solid, at - - 99c

Lots of other SHOE BARGAINS.

Peasle shoes for LESS than manufacturers' prices—as we have NEW, UP-TO-DATE SHOES for less money. Every pair warranted.

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